Information—ill-health—Heads of Administration.

367. Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware of the practice obtained under modern Governments to give information to the people whenever the heads of the administration by whatever name they be called, are in ill-health?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—Not in ill-health but when seriously ill.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—May I know whether the Government of Cochin has been following such a practice?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—We are doing it now.

C. M. & S. O.'s buildings at Ernakulam.

368. Mr.C.A. Ouseph.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the present Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer owns some buildings in Ernakulam ;

if so, how many;

for what rent are they let out?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—Yes.

Two.

Rs. 40 and Rs. 25.

Quarters for the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer.

369. C. A. Ouseph.—Will the Government be pleased to state what were the special considerations which induced them to provide quarters for the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—No special considerations. From the time a separate officer was appointed as the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer quarters have been provided for him just like officers in charge of all hospitals in the State, such as Women and Children's Hospital, Mattancheri, Maternity Hospital, Trichur, Mental Hospital, Trichur, Hospital at Kunnamkulam, Chalakkudi, Chittur, Nemmara, Cranganur, Irinjalakkuda, Vadakkancheri, etc.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—Am I not right in thinking that the several cases stated in the answer referred to, are of persons who live near the hospitals and are constantly in touch with the hospitals except the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer—cases such as Women and Children's Hospital, Maternity Hospital, etc? All these persons are living almost in the hospitals and have always to be in touch with the hospitals. Their quarters are next to the hospital.

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